

REMARKS

Claims 1-67 are pending in the application. It is gratefully acknowledged that Claims 23-25, 45-58 and 62 have been objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form to include all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. The Examiner objected to the Abstract. The Examiner has rejected Claims 1-22, 26-44, 59-61 and 63-67 under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) as being anticipated by Hatlelid et al. (U.S. Patent 6,404,438).

Claim 18 has been amended to recite that explanations are associated with behavior codes, and that the explanations are reported when a behavior code matches an observed behavior code. No new matter has been added.

Regarding the objection to the Abstract, this section has been amended herein to address the issues raised by the Examiner. Based on at least the foregoing amendments, withdrawal of the objection to the Abstract is respectfully requested.

Regarding independent Claims 1, 18, 28, 29, 65 and 66, the Examiner states that Hatlelid et al. discloses all of the elements of the claims. Hatlelid et al. discloses behavioral learning for a visual representation in a communication environment.

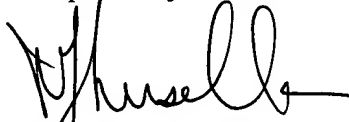
Each of independent Claims 1, 28, 29, 65 and 66, and amended Claim 18 recites that the behavior codes have an associated explanation that is retrieved when a behavior code is matched. Hatlelid et al. does not teach or disclose explanations associated with each behavior code, nor does Hatlelid et al. teach or disclose retrieving the associated explanation when a behavior code matches an observed behavior code. Based on at least the foregoing distinctions, withdrawal of the rejections of Claims 1, 28, 29, 65 and 66, and amended Claim 18 is respectfully requested.

Independent Claims 1, 18, 28, 29, 65 and 66 are believed to be in condition for allowance. Without conceding the patentability per se of dependent Claims 2-17, 19-22, 26, 27, 30-44, 59-61, 63, 64 and 67, these are likewise believed to be allowable by virtue of their dependence on their respective amended independent claims. Accordingly, reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections of dependent Claims 2-17, 19-22, 26, 27, 30-44, 59-61, 63, 64 and 67 is respectfully requested.

Accordingly, all of the claims pending in the Application, namely, Claims 1-67, are

believed to be in condition for allowance. Should the Examiner believe that a telephone conference or personal interview would facilitate resolution of any remaining matters, the Examiner may contact Applicant's attorney at the number given below.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Musella", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

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